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AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit the following response to the Office Action mailed April 21, 2004. The deadline for response having been extended one (1) month until 21 August 2004 (Saturday). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 02-3223 for all fees associated with this filing. A Petition and Fee for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) (in duplicate) is being filed concurrently herewith.